

## **Enclosure A**

### **Web Addresses for Risk Adjustment Data**

The document, entitled “Technical Notes for Risk Adjustment In 2004: ICD-9 Code Reporting,” can be found at [www.hcfa.gov/medicare/rskadjdata.htm](http://www.hcfa.gov/medicare/rskadjdata.htm). This document references two public use data files that contain the specific International Classification of Diseases, version 9 (ICD-9) codes required for the model. The list of diagnosis codes provided should be considered the upper bound that will be required for the risk adjustment model, as additional refinements to the final model implemented in 2004 may further reduce the required codes. CMS will provide a reduced set of codes that may be used to construct a superbill and to facilitate manual coding. They may also be used to report risk adjustment data to CMS.

The two public use data files may also be directly accessed at this same Web site. These files contain the same information in different formats for your convenience. One is a Microsoft® Excel file and the other is a comma delimited text file. Both files contain the specific ICD-9 diagnostic codes required for the model, the disease group to which each diagnosis has been provisionally assigned, and a label for each ICD-9 code.

For M+C organization June 2002 training information and registration:  
[www.aspenxnet.com/registration](http://www.aspenxnet.com/registration)

For information on the various risk adjustment models presented at the January 16, 2002 public meeting or related materials from that meeting:  
[www.hcfa.gov/medicare/rskadjmtrls.htm](http://www.hcfa.gov/medicare/rskadjmtrls.htm)

For comprehensive technical information for submission of risk adjustment data contact:  
[www.mcoservice.com](http://www.mcoservice.com). The Customer Service and Support Center also offers toll-free assistance to M+C organizations at 1 (877) 534-2772.